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Display Area

7 **RESPONSE TO 6/23/99 OFFICE ACTION**

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14 **AMENDMENTS**

15 **In the Claims**

16 Please amend claims 1, 6, and 11 as indicated below. All claims are set
forth for the Examiner's convenience.

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20 (b)1) 1. (Amended) A hypermedia browser embodied on a computer-
readable medium for execution on an information processing device having a
21 limited display area, wherein the hypermedia browser has a content viewing area
22 and is configured to display a temporary graphic element over the content viewing
23 area during times when the browser is loading content, wherein the temporary
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